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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In Re Application Of:

Herbert Cermak

Serial No.: 10/734,989

Group Art Unit: 3679

Filed: December 12, 2003

Examiner: Aaron M. Dunwoody

For: DRIVESHAFT AND METHOD AND DEVICE FOR PRODUCING SAME

Attorney Docket No.: GKNZ 1185 PUS

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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

Applicant submits this Response in reply to the Office Action dated October 6, 2004 requiring an election of species. This response is timely because it is being filed within the time period set for a response.

According to the Office Action, the application contains two groups of inventions comprising the following:

- I. Claims 1-8, drawn to a method of assembling a driveshaft, classified in class 228, subclass 131;
- II. Claims 9-20, drawn to a driveshaft, classified in class 464, subclass 179.

In response, Applicant elects Species I of Figures 1-5 and claims 1-8 for prosecution.

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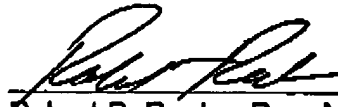
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Applicant reserves the right to add the non-elected claims upon the allowance of a generic claim containing the same general inventive concept as the non-elected claims.

The Examiner is invited to telephone the Applicant's undersigned attorney, Robert P. Renke at (248) 223-9500 if any unresolved matters remain with respect to this Response.

Respectfully submitted,

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